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THE

FAMILY LITURGY:

COMPILED FROM

The Bible, the Book of Common Prayer, and other Sources,

AND SO ARRANGED AS

TO PROMOTE UNITED FAMILY WORSHIP.

TO WHICH ARE ADDED,

Prayers and Thanksgivings for Special Occasions.

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PREFACE.

THIS Book of Family Prayer is offered to the Christian public, in the hope that union in prayer may be thereby promoted. It is indispensable to the receiving the benefits of prayer, that it be united. To accomplish this union, each member of the family should raise his voice: devotion is thus quickened; the family bond strengthened; unity of spirit is increased; and the blessing, promised to two or three lifting up the voice of united prayer, is sure to descend.

To promote the attainment of these blessings is the aim of the author: and he earnestly prays, that, through the mercy of God, and the teaching of his Holy Spirit, they may be abundantly realized by all who worship the God of families.

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THE FAMILY LITURGY.

Sunday Morning.

O THOU that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come: our iniquities prevail against us: as for our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away.[a] Hear the voice of our supplications when we cry unto thee:[b] enter not into judgment with thy servants, O Lord, for in thy sight shall no man living be justified: but blot out, as a thick cloud, our transgressions, and, as a thick cloud, our sins.[c] We have sinned, we have done perversely, we have committed wickedness:[d] nevertheless there is forgiveness with thee that thou mayest be feared:[e] Wash us, we beseech thee, in the

[a] Ps. lxv. 2, 3. [b] Ps. xxviii. 2. [c] Isa. xliv. 22.
[d] 1 Kings, viii. 47. [e] Ps. cxxx. 4.

fountain thou hast opened for sin and uncleanness.[f]

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, O Lord.

O Lord, be merciful to our iniquities;

Ans. And remember our sins no more.[g]

O Lord, from thy throne of glory in thy heavenly kingdom,

Ans. Hear thou the prayer and supplication of thy servants.

Be merciful to thy servants;

Ans. And heal their souls.[h]

ALMIGHTY Lord, who art a most strong tower to all them that put their trust in thee, to whom all things in heaven and earth do bow and obey, be now and evermore our defence, and make us to know and feel that there is none other name under heaven given unto man, in whom and through whom we may receive health

[f] Zech. xiii. 1. [g] Jer. xxxi. 34. [h] Ps. xli. 4.

and salvation, but only in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*[i]

GOD, who didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*[j]

MOST merciful Father, we beseech thee to send upon the ministers of thy Word thy heavenly blessing, that they may be clothed with righteousness; and that thy Word spoken by their mouths may have such success that it may never be spoken in vain: Grant also that we have grace to hear and receive what they shall

[i] Liturgy. [j] Whitsunday.

deliver out of thy most holy Word, or agreeable to the same, as the means of our salvation; that in all words and deeds we may show thy glory, and the increase of thy kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[k]

We will come into thine house, O Lord, in the multitude of thy mercy;

Ans. And may we worship thee in the beauty of holiness.[l]

That we may hear the voice of thy praise,

Ans. And tell of all thy wondrous works.[m]

O Lord, open thou our eyes,

Ans. That we may behold wondrous things out of thy law.[n]

O Lord, open thou our lips,

Ans. And our tongues shall shew forth thy praise.[o]

[k] The Ordering of Priests.
[l] Ps. xcvi. 9.
[m] Ps. xxvi. 7.
[n] *Ps.* cxix. 18.
[o] Liturgy.

O MOST glorious Lord God, receive the prayers and intercessions of us, and of all others thy servants, who, entering into thy house, shall call upon thee this day: and give to all of us grace, that we may prepare our hearts to serve thee with reverence and godly fear. Affect us with an awful apprehension of thy heavenly Majesty, and with a deep sense of our own unworthiness: that so, approaching thy sanctuary with lowliness and devotion, and appearing before thee with clean thoughts and pure hearts, with bodies undefiled, and minds sanctified, we may be living temples, holy and acceptable in thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[p]

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we for-

[p] Service for Consecration of Churches.

give them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon us, and remain with us for ever.[q] *Amen.*

[q] Order of Confirmation.

Sunday Evening.

O LORD God of our salvation, we have cried this day unto thee: let our prayer enter into thy presence; incline thine ear unto our calling.[a] For thou, Lord, art good and gracious, and of great mercy unto all them that call upon thee. Take not vengeance of our sins: but spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood; and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.[b]

O GOD, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man's understanding; Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises,

[a] Ps. lxxxviii. 1. [b] Liturgy.

which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[c]

O ALMIGHTY God, whom truly to know is everlasting life; Grant us perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life; that we may stedfastly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[d]

O GOD, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life; Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O

[c] Sixth Sunday after Trinity.
[d] St. Philip and St. James's Day.

Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*[e]

Send forth, O Lord, the Word of thy grace:

Ans. Let it have free course and be glorified.

O stablish thou thy Word unto thy servants:

Ans. And let sinners be converted unto thee.

Clothe thy ministers with righteousness:

Ans. And let thy people shout for joyfulness.

Let thy way be known upon earth:

Ans. Thy saving health among all nations.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our

[e] Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany.

supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*[f]

O MERCIFUL God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, nor wouldest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live; Have mercy upon all Jews, Turks, Infidels, and Heretics, and take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth, with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*[g]

[f] Good Friday. [g] Ibid.

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the head corner-stone; Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[h]

O LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[i]

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all

[h] St. Simon and St. Jude.
[i] Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany.

godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[k]

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

[k] Fifth Sunday after Trinity.

Monday Morning.

O LORD, we beseech thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto thee; that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by thy merciful pardon may be absolved; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[a]

To be repeated by all present.

O MOST mighty God, and merciful Father, who hast compassion upon all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made; who wouldest not the death of a sinner, but that he should rather turn from his sin, and be saved; Mercifully forgive us our trespasses; receive and comfort us, who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins. Thy property is always to have mercy; to thee

[a] Commination Service.

only it appertaineth to forgive sins. Spare us therefore, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed; enter not into judgment with thy servants, who are vile earth, and miserable sinners; but so turn thine anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our vileness, and truly repent us of our faults, and so make haste to help us in this world, that we may ever live with thee in the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[b]

Glory be to thee, O Lord, who hast given us sleep to refresh our bodies:

We have laid us down in peace; and are risen again in safety:

Ans. Because thou only dost sustain us.

That we may pass this day and every day in thy faith and fear and love,

Ans. Grant us, O Lord.

The pardon and forgiveness of all our sins, for Christ's sake,

[b] Commination Service.

Ans. Grant us, O Lord.

What is profitable for our souls, and needful for our bodies,

Ans. Grant us, O Lord.

That the angel of thy presence may be round about us, and defend us this day from all evil,

Ans. Grant us, O Lord.

That thy Holy Spirit may be our guide, our counsellor, and our comforter,

Ans. Grant us, O Lord.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, whose righteousness is like the strong mountains, and thy judgments like the great deep; Teach us, we beseech thee, so to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. And grant, that neither the splendour of anything that is great, nor the conceit of anything that is good in us, may any way withdraw our eyes from looking upon ourselves as sinful dust and ashes: but that we may press forward to

the prize of the high calling that is before us, in faith and patience, humility and meekness, mortification and self-denial, charity and constant perseverance, to the end: and all this, for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake; to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*[c]

That it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy Servant Victoria, our most gracious Queen and Governor;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all

[c] King Charles the Martyr.

Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and shew it accordingly;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.[d]

KEEP, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy: and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[e]

O GOD, our heavenly Father, who hast graciously promised that thou wilt keep them in perfect peace whose minds are

[d] Litany. [e] Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.

stayed on thee;[f] and who hast commanded us in everything to give thanks;[g] we bless and praise thy holy name that thou hast defended us from all perils and dangers of the past night, and hast again permitted us to make our prayer and supplication with thanksgiving unto thy divine Majesty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

GOD the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep us;

[f] Isai. xxvi. 3. [g] 1 Thess. v. 18.

the Lord mercifully with his favour look upon us; and so fill us with all spiritual benediction and grace, that we may so live together in this life, that in the world to come we may have life everlasting. *Amen.*

Monday Evening.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy; forgiving those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

To be repeated aloud by all the family.

TURN thou us, O good Lord, and so shall we be turned. Be favourable to thy people, who turn to thee with confession of sin and with prayer. For thou art a merciful God, full of compassion, long suffering, and of great pity. Thou sparest when we deserve punishment; and in thy

wrath thinkest upon mercy. Spare thy people, good Lord, spare them; and let not thine heritage be brought to confusion. Hear us, O Lord, for thy mercy is great, and after the multitude of thy mercies look upon us; through the merits and mediation of thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[a]

O LORD, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have this day committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*[b]

Our help is in the name of the Lord;
Ans. Who hath made heaven and earth.
Blessed be the name of the Lord;
Ans. Henceforth world without end.

[a] Commination Service.
[b] Coll. for Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity.

Lord, hear our prayer:
Ans. And let our cry come unto thee.

O GOD, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness; Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[c]

GOD, who dost teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*[d]

[c] Collect for Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.
[d] Collect for Whit Sunday.

That it may please thee to give us a heart to love and dread thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all thy people increase of grace to hear meekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.[e]

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both

[e] Litany.

our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*[f]

O LORD, our heavenly Father, who hast preserved us in our going out and in our coming in this day; who hast delivered us from many dangers, and crowned our lives with tender mercies and loving kindness; we bless and praise thy holy name for this thy so great goodness; and we beseech thee to give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that we praise thee not only with our lips; but in our lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in

[f] Second Collect at Evening Prayer.

heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon us, and remain with us for ever.[5] *Amen.*

[5] Order of Confirmation.

Tuesday Morning.

O GOD, thou art our God, early will we seek thee;[a] Hearken unto the voice of our calling, our God and King; for unto thee will we direct our prayer, and look up.

Enter not into judgment with thy servants, but spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever:

Ans. Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Ans. Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy,

[a] Ps. lxiii. 1.

hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,

Ans. Good Lord, deliver us.

From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

Ans. Good Lord, deliver us.[b]

O GOD, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[c]

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy

[b] Litany. [c] Coll. for First Sunday after Trinity.

Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[d]

From our enemies defend us, O Christ.

Ans. Graciously look upon our afflictions.

Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts.

Ans. Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.

Favourably with mercy hear our prayers.

Ans. O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ.

Ans. Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

O Lord, let thy mercy be shewed upon us;

Ans. As we do put our trust in thee.[e]

[d] Communion Service. [e] Litany.

WE humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of thy Name turn from us all those evils that we most righteously have deserved; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honour and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[f]

O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all estates and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health to all nations;[g] and keep, we beseech thee, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy:[h] grant unto all them that are admitted into the

[f] Litany.
[g] Prayer for all Conditions of Men.
[h] Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.

fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*[i]

To be repeated aloud by all the family.

AND now, for all thy mercies vouchsafed unto us, our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love, in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, we praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread;

[i] Third Sunday after Easter.

And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

GOD the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, have mercy upon us, save us now and evermore. *Amen.*[k]

[k] Forms of Prayer at Sea.

Tuesday Evening.

O GOD, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; Mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[a]

To be repeated aloud by all the family.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, this day, most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy Divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remem-

[a] Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.

brance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honour and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[b]

O LORD, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that may be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*[c]

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in

[b] Communion Service.
[c] Fifth Sunday after Easter.

body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that thou wouldest have done; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[d]

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

Ans. And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen.

Ans. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

Ans. And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.

Ans. And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Ans. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Ans. And take not thy holy Spirit from us.[e]

LORD, we pray thee that thy grace may always guide and follow us, and make us

[d] Twentieth Sunday after Trinity. [e] Litany.

continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[f]

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love. We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and especially thy Servant Victoria our Queen; that under her we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant under her whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that

[f] Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.

they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this family here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, we may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of our life. And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may

be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom: Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*[g]

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*[h]

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

[g] Communion Service.
[h] Third Collect in Evening Prayer.

UNTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit ourselves. The Lord bless us, and keep us; The Lord make his face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us; The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and give us peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*[i]

[i] Visitation of the Sick.

Wednesday Morning.

To be repeated aloud by all the family.

O GOD the Father, of heaven: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Ans. O God the Father, of heaven: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Ans. O God the Son, Redeemer of the world: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Ans. O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Ans. O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins: spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Ans. Spare us, good Lord.

WE humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of thy Name turn from us all those evils that we most righteously have deserved; and grant, that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honour and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[a]

[a] Litany.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service; Grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully serve thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[b]

GRANT to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do anything that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[c]

O GOD, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in shewing mercy and pity; Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running

[b] Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity.
[c] Ninth Sunday after Trinity.

the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[d]

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort, all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all that travel by land or by water, all women labouring of child, all sick persons, and young children; and to shew thy pity upon all prisoners and captives;

[d] Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children, and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.[e]

WE humbly acknowledge before thee, O most merciful Father, that all the punishments which are threatened in thy law might justly have fallen upon us, by reason of our manifold transgressions and hardness of heart: Yet seeing it hath pleased thee of thy tender mercy to defend us from the perils and dangers of the past night, and to raise again the voice of joy

[e] Litany.

and health in our dwelling; We offer unto thy Divine Majesty the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, lauding and magnifying thy glorious Name for such thy preservation, and providence over us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[f]

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE Lord bless us, and keep us; the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

[f] Occasional Thanksgivings.

Wednesday Evening.

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; We beseech thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[a]

We acknowledge our transgressions, and our sins are ever before us:[b]

Ans. Hide thy face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities.[c]

Cleanse thou thy servants from their secret faults:

Ans. And let not sin have dominion over us.

[a] Communion Service. [b] Ps. li. 3. [c] Ps. li. 9.

In all our ways may we acknowledge thee:

Ans. And do thou graciously direct our steps.

O THOU who didst send down thy most holy Spirit on thy disciples, take not, O Lord, that holy Spirit from us; but daily renew it in us who call upon thee, for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*[d]

Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver us;

Ans. O Lord, make haste to help us.[e]

Shew thy marvellous loving-kindness unto us;

Ans. Thou that savest them that put their trust in thee.[f]

Be thou, Lord, our keeper;[g]

Ans. Preserve thou us from all evil.[h]

O GOD, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that

[d] Chrysost. Lit. [e] Ps. xl. 13. [f] Ps. xvii. 7. [g] Ps. cxxi. 5. [h] Ibid. 7.

by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[i]

O ALMIGHTY God, who out of the mouths of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith even unto death, we may glorify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[k]

ALMIGHTY God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may

[i] Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany.
[k] The Innocents' Day.

happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[1]

O Lord, let thy ways be known upon earth:

Ans. Thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God;

Ans. Let all the people praise thee.[m]

Upon those that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,

Ans. Let thy light arise and shine, O Lord.

The tempted, the faint-hearted, the sick, and the prisoner; the orphan, the widow, and the stranger;

Ans. Succour and comfort, O Lord.

MERCIFUL Lord, we beseech thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon thy

[1] Second Sunday in Lent. [m] Ps. lxvii.

Church, that it may walk in the light of thy truth, and at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, bless and praise thy holy Name for all thy goodness and loving-kindness vouchsafed unto us, this day. We thank thee for blessings, temporal and spiritual, known and unknown; for the measure of health bestowed upon our bodies, and for the grace thou hast given to strengthen and refresh our souls. We acknowledge ourselves unworthy of the least of these thy mercies: and we beseech thee graciously to accept this our tribute of praise and thanksgiving, through the alone merits of Jesus Christ, our most blessed Saviour and Redeemer. *Amen.*

O GOD, whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive, receive

our humble petitions; and though we be tied and bound with the chain of our sins, yet let the pitifulness of thy great mercy loose us: for the honour of Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*[n]

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

[n] Liturgy.

Thursday Morning.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent; Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[a]

Who is a God like unto thee, that pardonest iniquity, and passest by the transgression of thy heritage?[b]

Ans. Pardon our iniquity, O Lord, for it is great.[c]

[a] Collect for Ash Wednesday.
[b] Micah vii. 18. [c] Ps. xxv. 11.

Thou wilt not retain thine anger for ever;

Ans. Because thou delightest in mercy.[d]

Turn again, and have compassion on us, O Lord;

Ans. Subdue our iniquities, and cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.[e]

Receive us graciously; and love us freely:

Ans. So will we render unto thee the calves of our lips.[f]

O Lord, let thy mercy be shewed upon us;

Ans. As we do put our trust in thee.[g]

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of

[d] Micah vii. 18.
[e] Ibid. vii. 19.
[f] Hos. xiv. 2.
[g] Litany.

danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[h]

Lord, be merciful to us sinners;

Ans. And save us, for thy mercy's sake.

Thou art the great God, that hast made and rulest all things;

Ans. O deliver us, for thy Name's sake.

Thou art the great God, to be feared above all:

Ans. O save us, that we may praise thee.[i]

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, who now liveth and

[h] Third Collect, Morning Prayer.

[i] Prayers to be used at Sea.

reigneth, with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*[k]

O LORD, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[l]

O ETERNAL God, our heavenly Father, who alone makest men to be of one mind in a house, and who art a strong tower of defence unto thy servants against the face of their enemies: We bless thy holy Name, for that it hath pleased thee to defend us from manifold dangers, and especially to preserve us during the past night, and to raise us up to present to thee again our united praise and worship another day. We offer unto thy fatherly

[k] Collect for Good Friday.
[l] Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity.

goodness ourselves, our souls, and bodies, which thou hast preserved, to be a living sacrifice unto thee; always praising and magnifying thy mercies in the midst of thy Church; and most humbly beseeching thee to grant to all of us grace, that we may henceforth obediently walk in thy holy commandments; and leading a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty, we may continually offer unto thee our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for these thy mercies towards us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[m]

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom,

[m] Occasional Thanksgiving.

The power and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and remain with us always. *Amen.*[n]

[n] The Communion.

Thursday Evening.

O MOST mighty God, who art terrible in thy judgments, and wonderful in thy doings, but declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in shewing mercy and pity;[a] We thy sinful creatures here before thee confess that our sins might well bring down thy heavy judgment upon us. Thou hast graciously promised that whosoever confesseth and forsaketh his iniquity shall have mercy:[b] Be merciful, O Lord, be merciful unto us, and be not angry with us for ever; but pardon us for thy mercy's sake, through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Ans. Graciously hear us, O Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance, to forgive us all our sins, negli-

[a] Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.
[b] Prov. xxviii. 13.

gences, and ignorances, and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to thy holy Word;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world;

Ans. Grant us thy peace.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world;

Ans. Have mercy upon us.

O Christ, hear us.

Ans. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Ans. Lord, have mercy upon us.[c]

ALMIGHTY God, who through thy only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life; We humbly beseech

[c] Litany.

thee, that, as by thy special grace preventing us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*[d]

O GOD, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[e]

O GOD, who hast prepared for them that love thee such things as pass man's understanding, pour into our hearts such love towards thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[f]

[d] Collect for Easter.
[e] Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.
[f] Sixth Sunday after Trinity.

ALMIGHTY God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*[g]

To the Lord our God belong the mercies and forgivenesses, which we have this day received: our song shall be alway of the lovingkindness of the Lord:

Ans. With our mouths will we shew forth his truth.[h]

The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works;

Ans. That they ought to be had in remembrance.[i]

[g] Third Sunday after Easter.
[h] Ps. lxxix. [i] Ps. cxl. 4.

Bless the Lord, O our souls, and all that is within us bless his holy name.

Ans. Bless the Lord, O our souls, and forget not all his benefits.[k]

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth; Mercifully hear our supplications, and grant us thy peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[l]

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

[k] Ps. ciii. 1. [l] Second Sun. after the Epiph.

UNTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit ourselves. The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and give us peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*[m]

[m] Visitation of the Sick.

Friday Morning.

LET US PRAY.

To be repeated by all present.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his

sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. *Amen.*[a]

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon us; pardon and deliver us from all our sins; confirm and strengthen us in all goodness; and bring us to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[b]

That it may please thee, O Lord, to bless the members of this household, and to grant that they may live together in godly love and harmony;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give unto us all grace to serve thee in our respective

[a] General Confession. [b] Communion.

callings, and in all things to seek thy honour and glory;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to keep us from all evil;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us grace to overcome every besetting sin;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen us for every good word and work;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless our friends, relatives, and neighbours, and all with whom we have to do;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our

enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word;

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

GIVE us all grace, most merciful Father, that, by the frequent instances of mortality which we behold, we may learn and seriously consider how frail and uncertain is

our condition here on earth, and so to number our days as to apply our hearts unto wisdom: that, in the midst of life thinking upon death, and daily preparing ourselves for the judgment which is to follow, we may have our part in the resurrection with Him, who died for our sins, and rose again for our justification, and now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*[c]

MOST gracious God, who didst not despise nor abandon man after he had transgressed thy law, and fallen: But like an indulgent father didst visit him; giving him thy great and precious promise of the seed of life: Opening the door of faith and repentance unto life: And, in the fulness of time, sending thy Son to take upon him the seed of Abraham: And by the oblation of his life to fulfil the obedience of the law: And by the sacrifice of

[c] Form of Consecration of Churches.

his death to take away the curse thereof: Thou who doest all things to bring back mankind unto thee, that they may be made partakers of thy divine nature, and share thine everlasting glory: Blessed, and praised, and magnified, and exalted, and glorified, and hallowed be thy Name, both now and for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[d]

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[e]

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in

[d] Liturgy of St. James.
[e] First Sunday after the Epiphany.

heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Friday Evening.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, who hast preserved us throughout another day in peace and safety: we acknowledge ourselves unworthy of the least of all thy mercies: it is of thy mercy we are not consumed, because thy compassions fail not:[a] Not unto us, O Lord; not unto us, but unto thy Name be the praise for all thy goodness and loving-kindness vouchsafed unto us this day:

O Lord, open thou our lips;

Ans. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

Ans. O Lord, make haste to help us.[b]

Let our prayer be set forth before thee as incense;

Ans. And the lifting up of our hands as an evening sacrifice.[c]

[a] Lam. iii. 22. [b] Liturgy. [c] Ps. cxli. 2.

O LORD, righteousness belongeth unto thee, but unto us confusion of face, because of our trespasses that we have trespassed against thee;[d] we beseech thee, let thine anger and thy fury be turned away,[e] and cause thy face to shine upon thy servants;[f] for Jesus Christ's sake, our Saviour. *Amen.*

Let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us.
Ans. According as we hope in thee.[g]

O LORD, raise up, we pray thee, thy power, and come among us, and with great might succour us; that, whereas through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through the satisfaction of thy Son our Lord, to whom with thee and the

[d] Dan. ix. 7.
[e] Dan. ix. 16.
[f] Dan. ix. 17.
[g] Ps. xxxiii. 2.

Holy Ghost be honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*[h]

O ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[i]

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;
Ans. And grant us thy salvation.
O Lord, save the Queen.
Ans. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Send us help from thy holy place;
Ans. And evermore mightily defend us.

[h] Fourth Sunday in Advent.
[i] Fourth Sunday after Easter.

Let the enemy have no advantage over us;

Ans. Nor the wicked approach to hurt us.

Be thou, O Lord, a strong tower;

Ans. From the face of our enemy.

O Lord, hear our prayer;

Ans. And let our cry come unto thee.[j]

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*[k]

God, be merciful unto us and bless us: and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us:

Ans. That thy way may be known upon

[j] Restoration of the Royal Family.

[k] Collect for Good Friday.

earth; thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God: yea, let all the people praise thee:

Ans. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase: and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us:

Ans. And all the ends of the earth shall fear thee.[1]

ALMIGHTY God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in thy Son's Name; We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and supplications unto thee; and grant, that those things, which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[m]

[1] Ps. lxvii. [m] Communion.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon us, and remain with us for ever. *Amen.*[n]

[n] Confirmation.

Saturday Morning.

O GOD, who art of purer eyes than to behold iniquity; enter not into judgment with us. Thou didst remember us in our low estate;[a] thou didst lay help for us on One that was mighty:[b] through whom thou canst be gracious to our iniquities, and remember our sins no more:[c]

Forgive, O Lord, the iniquity of thy servants;

Ans. And cover all their sins.[d]

Take away all thy wrath:

Ans. Turn thyself from the fierceness of thine anger.[e]

Turn us, O God of our salvation;

Ans. And cause thine anger toward us to cease.[f]

[a] Ps. cxxxvi. 23.
[b] Ps. lxxxix. 19.
[c] Jer. xxxi. 34.
[d] Ps. lxxxv. 2.
[e] Ps. lxxxv. 3.
[f] Ps. lxxxv. 4.

Wilt thou not revive us again?

Ans. That thy people may rejoice in thee.[g]

Shew us thy mercy, O Lord;

Ans. And grant us thy salvation.[h]

For thy dear Son's sake pardon our iniquities;

Ans. And blot out all our sins.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Be thou within us, by thy Holy Spirit, to strengthen us against all attacks of our spiritual enemy; be thou round about us, to protect us from all evil: let thine everlasting arms be beneath us, to sustain and support us under every trial: and do thou go before us, that all things may be ordered for us by the providence of thy goodness. These things we ask in the name, and for the sake, of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

[g] Ps. lxxxv. 6. [h] Ps. lxxxv. 7.

O Lord, we pray thee help thy servants;

Ans. Whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy saints,

Ans. In glory everlasting.

O Lord, save thy people;

Ans. And bless thine heritage.

Govern them, and lift them up for ever.

Ans. Day by day we magnify thee:

And we worship thy Name: ever world without end.

Ans. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us; have mercy upon us.

Ans. O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us; as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have we trusted; let us never be confounded.[i]

[i] Te Deum.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who art the author and giver of all good things, grant unto each of us thy heavenly blessing: let thy peace be upon this house, and upon all that dwell therein: may the voice of joy and thanksgiving be heard amongst us continually; and may all our things be done in love; for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

MOST gracious God, by whose gift it cometh that thy people do unto thee true and laudable service: Grant unto all thy people thy heavenly grace; but more especially we beseech thee to pour out upon thy ministering servants the manifold gifts of thy Holy Spirit, that they may be able ministers of the New Testament, and that by them sinners may be converted unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

AND now, O Lord, we offer unto thy Divine Majesty our praise and thanksgiving for mercies again renewed to us. We laid us down and slept; we awaked;[k] for thou, Lord, sustainedst us. Goodness and mercy follow us; thy loving-kindness and thy truth are our shield and buckler: Accept, O Lord, our unworthy thanksgivings: Unto thee be glory in thy Church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. *Amen.*[l]

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

[k] Ps. iii. 5. [l] Ephes. iii. 20, 21.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

Saturday Evening.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, by whose gracious providence we have been preserved throughout the week that is past, we beseech thee to bow down thine ear and hear us: Give us grace to worship thee acceptably; and those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us for the worthiness of thy dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

To be repeated by all the family.

We have sinned, O Lord, above the number of the sands of the sea; our transgressions are multiplied; and we are not worthy to behold the height of heaven for the multitude of our iniquities: We have provoked thy wrath, and done evil before thee; we have not done thy will, neither

have we kept thy commandments. Now, therefore, we bow the knee of our hearts, beseeching grace of thee; we humbly beseech thee, forgive us, O Lord, and destroy us not with our iniquities: For thou art the God of them that repent, and in us thou wilt shew all thy goodness; for thou wilt save us that are unworthy, according to thy great mercy. Therefore will we praise thee for ever, all the days of our life.[a]

O Lord, deal not with us after our sins.

Ans. Neither reward us according to our iniquities.[b]

O GOD the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven; We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the

[a] From the prayer of Manasses. [b] Litany.

same place whither our Saviour Christ is gone before, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*[c]

THEE, O our God, and thee alone, and for thine own sake, may we love before all things else; may we desire thee, and long for thee unto the end. Thee only, and for thine own sake, and for nothing but thyself, may we still seek always, and in all things; from the very bottom of our hearts, and from our inmost soul. Grant, most gracious God, that we may love thee ever, and seek thee everywhere, and above all things, in this life present; and at length find thee and hold thee fast for ever, in the life to come. Grant this, for Jesus Christ, his sake. *Amen.*[d]

LORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things;

[c] Sunday after Ascension.

[d] From a prayer by Archbishop Brawardine.

Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[e]

ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Divine Providence hast appointed Ministers in thy Church, replenish them so with the truth of thy Doctrine, and adorn them with innocency of life, that, both by word and good example, they may faithfully serve thee, to the glory of thy Name, and the edification of thy Church; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and for ever. *Amen.*[f]

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who alone workest great marvels; Send down upon our Bishops, and Curates, and all

[e] Seventh Sunday after Trinity.
[f] Ordering of Priests.

Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*[g]

Grant, O Lord, that thy way may be known upon earth;

Ans. Thy saving health among all nations.

Let Jews and Gentiles be converted unto thee,

Ans. And become one fold, under one shepherd, Jesus Christ.

Hasten thy kingdom, O Lord:

Ans. And let the brightness of thy glory be revealed.

WE yield thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that, whereas our sins have

[g] Morning Prayer.

abounded through the day past, thy mercy has much more abounded to us. The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works, that they ought to be had in remembrance.[h] Give us grace at all times and in all places, O Lord, to give thanks unto thee, evermore praising and glorifying thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done in earth, As it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

UNTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit ourselves. The Lord

[h] Ps. cxi. 4.

bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and give us peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*[i]

[i] Visitation of the Sick.

A Prayer for the Household.

WE beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, and for our Saviour's sake, to bestow upon this family the blessings of the gospel of peace. Enable those who rule, to do so in the fear of the Lord, with all forbearance and gentleness, knowing that they also have a master in heaven. Teach those who serve, to act not with eye-service, as men-pleasers; but with good will, as to the Lord, and not to men, shewing all fidelity. May each member of this family

be endued with thy holy Spirit, and be brought under the influence of the Gospel of Christ. Let all anger, and wrath, and clamour, and evil-speaking, be put away from us; and let the service of love prevail over that of rigour or fear. May the peace of God rule in all our hearts: and may we enjoy and exhibit the blessedness of them who dwell together in unity. So that, walking together in unity of spirit and in the bond of peace, we may be found continually a household fearing thee and working righteousness. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS

TO BE

USED ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

Prayers for a Sick Member of the Family.

O ALMIGHTY God, and merciful Father, to whom alone belong the issues of life and death; Look down from heaven, we humbly beseech thee, with the eyes of mercy, upon thy servant of this family now lying upon the bed of sickness: Visit *him*, O Lord, with thy salvation; deliver *him* in thy good appointed time from *his* bodily pain, and save *his* soul for thy mercies' sake: That, if it shall be thy pleasure to prolong *his* days here on earth, *he* may live to thee, and be an instrument of thy glory, by serving thee faithfully, and doing good in *his* generation; or else receive *him*

into those heavenly habitations, where the souls of them that sleep in the Lord Jesus enjoy perpetual rest and felicity. Grant this, O Lord, for thy mercies' sake, in the same thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*[a]

O LORD, look down from heaven, behold, visit, and relieve thy servant, visited with sickness. Look upon *him* with the eyes of thy mercy, give *him* comfort and sure confidence in thee, defend *him* from the danger of the enemy, and keep *him* in perpetual peace and safety; Sanctify, we beseech thee, this thy fatherly correction to *him;* that the sense of *his* weakness may add strength to *his* faith, and seriousness to *his* repentance: That, if it shall be thy good pleasure to restore *him* to *his*

[a] Visitation of the Sick.

former health, *he* may lead the residue of *his* life in thy fear, and to thy glory: or else, give *him* grace so to take thy visitation, that, after this painful life ended, *he* may dwell with thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[b]

O MOST merciful God, who, according to the multitude of thy mercies, dost so put away the sins of those who truly repent, that thou rememberest them no more; Open thine eye of mercy upon thy servant, who most earnestly desireth pardon and forgiveness. Renew in *him*, most loving Father, whatsoever hath been decayed by the fraud and malice of the devil, or by *his* own carnal will and frailness; consider *his* contrition, accept *his* tears, assuage *his* pain, as shall seem to thee most expedient for *him*. And forasmuch as *he* putteth *his* full trust only in thy

[b] Visitation of the Sick.

mercy, impute not unto *him his* former sins, but strengthen *him* with thy blessed Spirit; and when thou art pleased to take *him* hence, take *him* unto thy favour, through the merits of thy most dearly beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[c]

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, Maker of mankind, who dost correct those whom thou dost love, and chastise every one whom thou dost receive; We beseech theo to have mercy upon thy servant visited with thine hand, and to grant that *he* may take *his* sickness patiently, and recover *his* bodily health (if it be thy gracious will); and whensoever his soul shall depart from the body, it may be without spot presented unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*[d]

[c] Visitation of the Sick.
[d] Communion of the Sick.

A Prayer for a Sick Child.

O ALMIGHTY God, and merciful Father, to whom alone belong the issues of life and death; Look down from heaven, we humbly beseech thee, with the eyes of mercy, upon the child now lying upon the bed of sickness: Visit *him*, O Lord, with thy salvation; deliver *him* in thy good appointed time from *his* bodily pain, and save *his* soul for thy mercies' sake: That, if it shall be thy pleasure to prolong his days here on earth, *he* may live to thee, and be an instrument of thy glory, by serving thee faithfully, and doing good in *his* generation; or else receive *him* into those heavenly habitations, where the souls of them that sleep in the Lord Jesus enjoy perpetual rest and felicity. Grant this, O Lord, for thy mercies' sake, in the same thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the

Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*[e]

A Prayer when there appears small hope of recovery.

O FATHER of mercies, and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need; We fly unto thee for succour in behalf of thy servant, here lying under thy hand in great weakness of body. Look graciously upon *him*, O Lord; and the more the outward man decayeth, strengthen *him*, we beseech thee, so much the more continually with thy grace and holy Spirit in the inner man. Give *him* unfeigned repentance, for all the errors of *his* life past, and stedfast faith in thy Son Jesus; that *his* sins may be done away by thy mercy, and *his* pardon sealed in heaven, before *he* go hence, and be no more seen. We know, O Lord, that there is no word

[e] Visitation of the Sick.

impossible with thee; and that, if thou wilt, thou canst even yet raise *him* up, and grant *him* a longer continuance amongst us: Yet, forasmuch as in all appearance the time of his dissolution draweth near, so fit and prepare *him*, we beseech thee, against the hour of death, that after *his* departure hence in peace, and in thy favour, *his* soul may be received into thine everlasting kingdom, through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thine only Son, our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*[t]

A commendatory Prayer for a Sick Person at the point of departure.

O ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of just men made perfect, after they are delivered from their earthly prisons; We humbly commend the soul of thy servant, our dear *brother*, into thy

[t] Visitation of the Sick.

hands, as into the hands of a faithful Creator, and most merciful Saviour; most humbly beseeching thee, that it may be precious in thy sight. Wash it, we pray thee, in the blood of that immaculate Lamb, that was slain to take away the sins of the world; that whatsoever defilements it may have contracted in the midst of this miserable and naughty world, through the lusts of the flesh or the wiles of Satan, being purged and done away, it may be presented pure and without spot before thee. And teach us who survive, in this and other like daily spectacles of mortality, to see how frail and uncertain our condition is; and so to number our days, that we may seriously apply our hearts to that holy and heavenly wisdom, which may in the end bring us to life everlasting; through the merits of Jesus Christ thine only Son our Lord. *Amen.*[g]

[g] Visitation of the Sick.

A Prayer for Persons troubled in Mind or in Conscience.

O BLESSED Lord, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; We beseech thee, look down in pity and compassion on thy afflicted servant: as thou hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, that we, through patience and comfort of thy Holy Word, might have hope; Give *him* a right understanding of himself and thee: grant that *he* may neither cast away confidence in thee, nor place it anywhere but in thee. Give *him* strength against all *his* temptations, and heal all *his* diseases. Break not the bruised reed; quench not the smoking flax. Shut not up thy tender mercies in displeasure; but make *him* to hear the voice of joy and gladness, that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice. Deliver *him* from fear of the enemy; lift up the light of thy countenance upon

him; and give *him* peace, for Jesus Christ his sake. *Amen.*

For a Member of the Family about to leave home permanently.

O LORD and heavenly Father, who appointest the bounds of our habitation, we would adore thy wisdom and love in all things. As it has pleased thee, in thy good providence, to fix elsewhere the abode of thy servant now about to leave us; we would commit *him* to thy heavenly care: Watch over *him;* bless and keep *him* in all *his* ways: prosper the work of *his* hands: preserve *him* from all evil: And grant that we may all so walk in one Spirit upon earth, that we may be at last united for ever in thy heavenly kingdom; grant this, for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

For a Member of the Family engaged in War.

O LORD, in whose hands are the issues of life, we implore thy merciful preservation of *him* who is now exposed to the dangers and evils of war. Watch over *him*, O Lord, we beseech thee: deliver *him* from the hand of the enemy; and restore *him* in safety to the bosom of *his* family. Above all, do thou so bless *his* dangers and trials to *his* soul's health, that *he* may prove *himself* a good soldier of Jesus Christ, and having fought the good fight of faith, *he* may at last receive a crown of glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For a Member of the Family about to journey.

BLESS, O Lord, we beseech thee, the member of this family who is now about to leave home: Conduct *him* safely to *his* journey's end: Make *him* a blessing wherever *he* goes: and bring *him* back,

in due time, in peace and safety to *his* home. We ask this for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

In time of Family Affliction.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, who dost not willingly afflict the children of men, and who art good and gracious, even in thy chastisements: Be graciously pleased to mingle the sweetness of thy promises with thy Fatherly correction: Lift up, O Lord, the hands that hang down: Strengthen the feeble knees: Cause the bones which thou hast broken to rejoice: And in thy good time restore again the voice of gladness and thanksgiving to our dwelling: For our dear Redeemer's sake. *Amen.*

On the occasion of a Marriage in the Family.

BLESSED Saviour! By whose Spirit alone the hearts of thy servants about to be united in holy matrimony can be sanc-

tified, and their union blessed: Grant unto them to be joined together in one heart and one spirit in thy service; and so enable them to fulfil their duties to thee and to each other; that, having passed this life in thy faith and fear, they may spend together a blissful eternity in thy heavenly kingdom; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour and Redeemer. *Amen.*

On the occasion of a Death in the Family.

MOST merciful God, who, in thy inscrutable wisdom hast permitted death to visit our abode, and to take one from amongst us: Give us grace to bow submissively to this visitation; and to say with thy servant of old, The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord. And, seeing the uncertainty and shortness of life, teach us so to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom: and grant that we may so spend our remaining days upon

earth, that we may be found ready, when called hence, to enter into the joy of our Lord. Grant this, for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

Before Confirmation.

MOST gracious God and Father, we desire to commend to thy Fatherly love and care the young (members) of this family who are about to be confirmed. Pour out thy Spirit abundantly upon them. Make them serious, earnest, and prayerful, in taking upon themselves their Baptismal vows. Bless the ordinance to their souls: and grant that they may give themselves, their souls and bodies, to thy service; and continue thine for ever; for Jesus Christ's sake, our Saviour and Redeemer. *Amen.*

Before the Lord's Supper.

CREATE within us, O Lord, a greater hungering and thirsting for that spiritual

food, of which we are this day invited to partake. Blessed Lord, who art the bread of life that came down from heaven, feed our souls. Meet us at the feast which thou thyself hast spread: be thou present at thine own table. Make thyself known in breaking of bread. May our hearts rejoice while we receive the tokens of thy love. May we, as very members incorporate of thee, be partakers of thy most precious body and blood. May spiritual strength and nourishment be communicated to us. May we realize a blessed foretaste of those unspeakable joys which await thy people at the marriage-supper of the Lamb. May we feel thy love, as we never felt it before. Reveal new glories to our souls; and awaken in us new songs of thankfulness and praise. *Amen.*

After the Lord's Supper.

BLESS us, we beseech thee, O our God and Father, who have this day been partakers of the emblems of our Saviour's love. For our enjoyment in that spiritual feast, to thee be all the praise. We have presented unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. We have dedicated ourselves anew to thy service. We have pledged ourselves to follow thee in holiness and righteousness, all the days of our lives. We have professed ourselves to be the followers of a crucified Saviour. Thy vows, O Lord, are upon us. Confirm, we beseech thee, our self-dedication made this day. Give us thy Holy Spirit to help our infirmities; and enable us to bring our intentions to good effect. As we have received Christ Jesus the Lord, teach us so to walk in him. May we never withdraw those hearts, which we have this day

solemnly dedicated to thee. And take not thou thy Holy Spirit from us. Having tasted the heavenly gift, may we hunger more and more after righteousness; until we eat and drink with thee in thy heavenly kingdom. *Amen.*

Before receiving the Lord's Supper for the first time.

MOST gracious and merciful Lord, and heavenly Father, who givest power to the faint, and increasest strength to them that have no might;[a] and who hast ordained thy Supper, of which I am about to partake, to be a means for strengthening and refreshing the soul: vouchsafe to regard me with thy favour; encompass me with thy protection, that the enemy of souls may not prevail to hinder my blessing, or to hide thy glory from me. Suffer me not to presume on thy promises, by approaching thy table unworthily: nor let me

[a] Isaiah xl. 29.

despair of thy goodness, because of my manifold offences. May I come in deep humility and self-abasement, yet with a full assurance of thy love; and in steadfast faith in the merits and mediation of my adorable Saviour. And may the blessing, which thou hast prepared for them that wait upon thee in thy Son's name, be mine. Lord, increase my faith. Give me a more ardent love to thee; and a more earnest desire for thy glory. And make this, my first approach to thy table, an abiding blessing to my soul; for my dear Redeemer's sake. *Amen.*

To be used by Husband and Wife together.

MOST merciful God and heavenly Father, who hast instituted marriage for the mutual society, help, and comfort of those united in its bonds; We bless thee that thou hast permitted us to be united together as man and wife. May the bonds of thy love unite us to each other and to thee.

May thy blessing rest upon us in the discharge of all our duties. May we be, in all things, helpers together of each other's faith. May we seek continually each other's good for edification. Make us a blessing to each other, and to all around us. And may we so dwell together in godly love, bearing each other's burdens, strengthening each other's graces, and diffusing around us the blessings of love and peace; that, having fought together the good fight of faith, and having continued heirs together of the grace of life to our lives' end, we may serve and praise thee for ever in thy kingdom of glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Guidance in the Training of Children.

O LORD, who hast given us children, to be brought up for thee: We desire to feel and to confess our entire dependence on thee for strength and ability to train them up in the way they should go. Give us

grace to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. May no worldly allurements ever induce us to lose sight of their spiritual interests; or to prefer for them the things of time to the things of eternity. Grant us wisdom, that we may know how to instruct them: patience, that we may rightly correct them: love and meekness, that we may exhibit thy Spirit unto them. And never suffer us to put our trust in anything we can do for them. May an abiding sense of the need of thy Spirit's influences accompany our efforts for their good. And bless thou, O Lord, the work of our hands upon us; prosper our feeble efforts to promote thy glory in them: and so crown our labours with success, that they may grow up as plants of thine own planting, and continue thine for ever; for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

In behalf of Children.

O LORD, in whose hands are all hearts, and who canst dispose and turn as it seemeth best unto thy heavenly wisdom; dispose the hearts of our dear children toward the attainment of everlasting life. Sow in their hearts the seed of eternal life. Defend them from the snares to which they are exposed by reason of their tender age. Teach them to remember thee in the days of their youth: may they give their hearts unto thee. Give them grace to receive instruction. Write thy laws upon their hearts, that they may not depart from thee. Enable them in their early days to begin to witness a good confession; and may thy love, shed abroad in their hearts, grow with their growth, and strengthen with their strength. Guide and teach them, by thy Holy Spirit, day by day. And grant, that having done thy will, and approved themselves thy servants

in this life, they may be found amongst the redeemed in thy kingdom of glory. We ask this, for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

For a Forgiving Spirit.

O MOST merciful Lord, who dost not keep thine anger for ever; but forgivest iniquity, transgression, and sin; Look down on thine unworthy servant: In many things I offend, and that continually: If thou wert extreme to mark what I do amiss, I could not answer thee one charge of a thousand. As thou freely forgivest my many and grievous sins, for thy dear Son's sake; suffer me not to cherish an unforgiving spirit towards those who may injure me. May I, from my heart, be ready to forgive all who may have done me wrong. And in everything may I be enabled to follow the example of my Saviour, and be made more like-minded unto him, day by day; for the Lord Jesus' sake. *Amen.*

To be used by a Person under Temptation.

ALMIGHTY Saviour, who knowest how to succour the tempted, in that thou hast suffered, being tempted; and who dost, with the temptation, make a way to escape, for those who put their trust in thee: Look down in pity on thine unworthy servant, who is sorely pressed with temptations. I am oppressed; O Lord, undertake for me. Without thee I am helpless: Help me, O Lord, and let not the enemy triumph over me. Deliver my feet from the snares he has laid for me: Set me at liberty, that I may walk in the path of thy commandments. For thy mercy and truth's sake; for the sake of those around me; for thine own glory's sake, suffer me not to give place to the devil. Enable me to resist him successfully, and to triumph over every temptation. O Lord, send help to thy servant; that I may be

delivered, and glorify thee, both now and for ever. *Amen.*

After having fallen into Sin.

O MERCIFUL Lord, who art of purer eyes than to behold iniquity: I have sinned; I have sinned grievously against thee. O take not vengeance of my sin; but spare me, for thy mercies' sake in Christ Jesus. I acknowledge my transgression; I am grieved and wearied with the burden of my sin. O let the blood of Christ speak peace to my guilty conscience: forgive mine iniquity, for it is great. And, for Christ's sake, grant that the thoughts of my heart may be cleansed by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that I may serve thee henceforth in newness of life. Give me grace that I may hate and forsake my besetting sins. Cleanse me, O Lord, for I am vile: O Lord, I am weak, help me: I am prone to evil; hold

thou me up, that my footsteps slip not. Hear, O Lord, from heaven, and forgive; for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

In prospect of Trial.

O LORD, who orderest all things in heaven and earth, without thy permission no evil can befal us: Mercifully turn away from us, if it be thy gracious will, the evils which we apprehend; or if in thine inscrutable wisdom thou seest fit to afflict us, suffer us not to be tried above what we are able to bear. Grant that our hearts may be stayed on thee. Permit not our faith to fail; but let us be strong in faith, giving glory to thee. And may thy chastening hand teach us more of thy love, wean us more from this world, and bring us nearer to thee; and make us, by thy Spirit's teaching, more meet for the inheritance of the saints in light. We ask it for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving for the Recovery of a Member of the Family from Sickness.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, who in judgment hast remembered mercy, and hast graciously restored to health the member of this family lately afflicted with sickness, accept our unworthy praise and thanksgiving for this thy so great mercy: And grant, that *he* who has been raised up, and they, to whom *he* has been restored, may unite in praising thee with grateful lips, and with lives devoted to thy service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Deliverance from Affliction.

O LORD, who art a sure refuge and hiding-place to thy people in time of trouble, we bless and praise thy holy Name, that when we cried unto thee, thou heardest the voice of our supplication, and hast delivered us out of our distress;

Blessed, and praised, and glorified be thy Name, O Lord, for these and all thy mercies vouchsafed to thine unworthy servants; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

For Deliverance from Temptation.

GLORY be to thee most gracious Lord for the signal deliverance which thou hast so mercifully vouchsafed to me. Thou hast rescued me from the snares by which I should have fallen, if thou, Lord, hadst not been on my side. O that I may learn to put no confidence in the flesh, but to trust in the Lord at all times. May a sense of thy goodness continually abide with me. May I praise thee continually with the best member that I have. Let my song be always of the loving-kindness of the Lord, and may my lips utter thy praises from day to day; for thou hast been my fortress, my high tower, and my deliverer: Glory be to thee, O Lord, most high. *Amen.*

For the safe Return of a Member of the Family.

O LORD, by whose gracious providence alone, thy people can continue in safety, we thank thee that thou hast been pleased to protect thy servant of this family from the evils to which *he* has been exposed, and to bring him to *his* home again in safety: May this and all thy mercies deepen in us the sense of our unworthiness and of thy Fatherly goodness; for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Saviour. *Amen.*

For Preservation through the Year.

MOST merciful Lord, who hast preserved us to the end of another year, and crowned our lives with loving-kindness and tender mercies; What can we render unto thee for thine unspeakable goodness! We acknowledge ourselves unworthy the least of all thy mercies: yet how great has been the sum of them! Bless the Lord, O our

souls, and all that is within us, bless His holy Name: Bless the Lord, O our souls, and forget not all his benefits! And grant, O Lord, that a due sense of thy loving-kindness may lead us to praise thee more and more, until we praise thee in thy heavenly kingdom. We ask it for Jesus Christ's sake, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all glory and praise ascribed, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving for Family Blessings.

O LORD and heavenly Father, who art the author and giver of all good things, we bless and praise thy holy Name, for the many mercies vouchsafed to us as a family. If many evils have been averted, which we most righteously deserved, it is of thy mercy we have not been consumed; because thy compassions fail not. If we have lived together in peace and love, to thee alone would we ascribe the praise. If the voice of joy and glad-

ness has been heard amongst us, it is because thou hast been pleased to bless us. If blessings temporal and spiritual have abounded to us, it is because of thy loving-kindness. O Lord, accept our thanksgiving, for these and all thy mercies, and pardon our sins, for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

THE END.

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